

Mid-Atlantic: Price Movements of Top Exports and Other Highlights



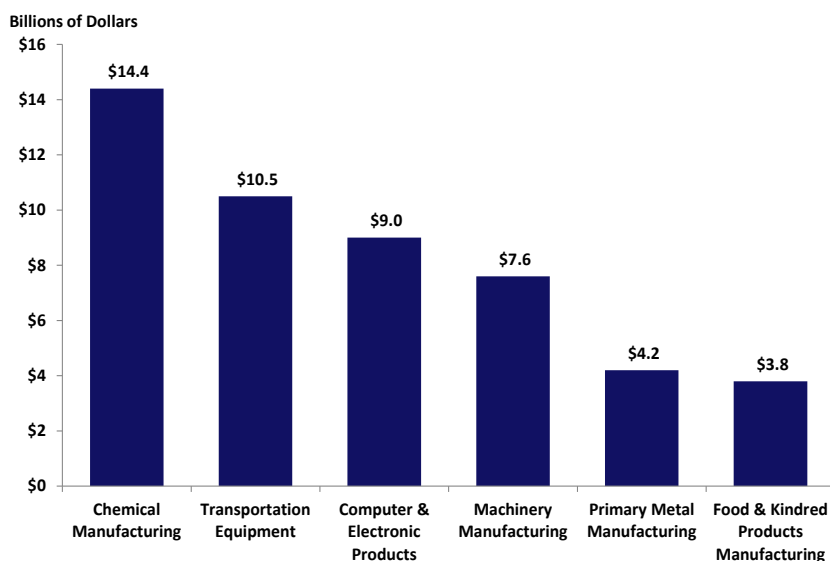
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The Mid-Atlantic region, composed of Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, exported goods valued at just under \$77.9 billion in 2014, a decrease of 1.3 percent from 2013. The export price index for chemical manufacturing—the top export industry by trade value for the region—fell for the 3 months ended in September 2015. Prices for both computer and electronics as well as transportation equipment manufacturing also declined, while machinery manufacturing prices increased.



Top Six Mid-Atlantic Exports by Trade Dollar-Value, 2014

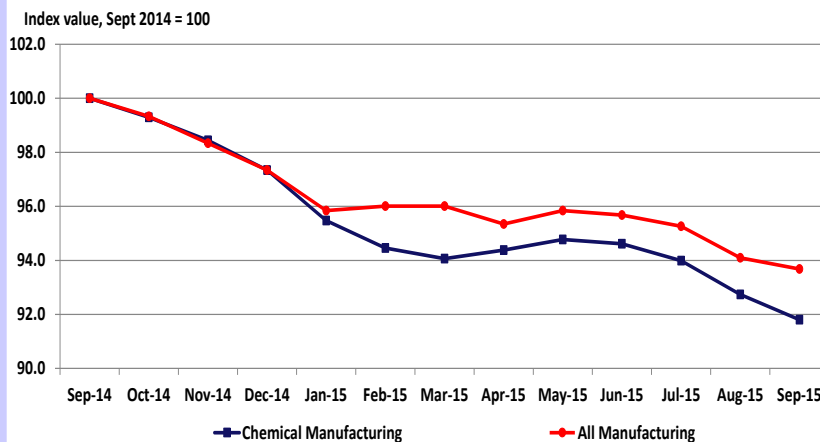


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics.

- Chemicals were the largest goods export industry in the Mid-Atlantic region in 2014 (\$14.4 billion), accounting for approximately 18.5 percent of the region's export dollars. Transportation equipment and computer & electronics were the next largest industries by export trade.
- Pennsylvania ranked first in each of the Mid-Atlantic region's top 6 export categories.
- The Mid-Atlantic region's top 6 export industries in 2014 accounted for 63.4 percent (\$49.4 billion) of the region's total export dollars.

U.S. Export Price Indexes: Chemical Manufacturing

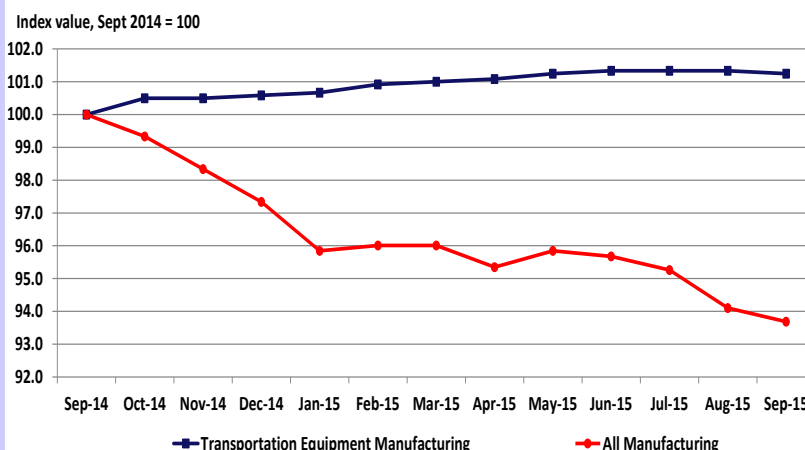
- The price index for export chemical manufacturing fell 3.0 percent for the 3-month period ended in September, following a 0.6-percent increase during the previous 3 months.
- Over the past 12 months, export prices for chemical manufacturing decreased 8.2 percent compared to a 6.3-percent decline for all export manufactured products.
- Lower prices for primary feed stocks, petroleum and natural gas, drove the declines in chemical prices.



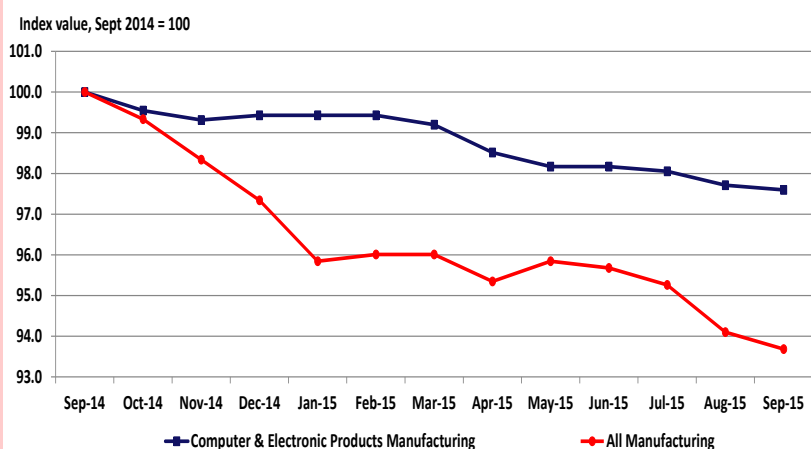
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, International Price Program.

U.S. Export Price Indexes: Transportation Equipment Manufacturing

- Export prices for transportation equipment manufacturing dropped 0.1 percent between June and September, compared to all manufactured goods which fell 2.1 percent.
- The index edged down 0.1 percent in September resulting from a decline in motor vehicle parts prices.
- Export prices for transportation equipment manufacturing increased 1.3 percent over the past 12 months, led by rising prices for aerospace parts manufacturing.



U.S. Export Price Indexes: Computer & Electronic Products Manufacturing



- Export prices for computer & electronic products manufacturing fell 0.6 percent for the 3 months ended in September and 2.4 percent over the past year.
- The drop over the past 3 months was primarily driven by lower prices for computers and peripherals.
- The decline over the past year was driven by lower prices for computers, peripherals, and semiconductors which fell due to high competition.

U.S. Export Price Indexes: Machinery, except Electrical Manufacturing

- Prices for nonelectrical machinery manufacturing exports ticked up 0.1 percent for the 3 months ended in September.
- Prices for metalworking machinery manufacturing rose in September and drove the index up for the 3-month period in spite of lower prices for construction machinery.
- Over the past year, nonelectrical machinery manufacturing prices rose 1.2 percent.

